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**ACCESS FACT:** 29% of Maryland women live in counties with no abortion clinic.\*

## Political Information

### EXECUTIVE

Governor Larry Hogan (R) has a **mixed record** on reproductive freedom.

### LEGISLATURE

The Maryland Senate **supports reproductive freedom**.

The Maryland House **supports reproductive freedom**.

## Abortion Rights: Protections and Bans

### PROTECTIONS

**NO** - The Maryland state constitution does not provide additional protection for the right to abortion.

**YES** - Maryland has an affirmative right to abortion enshrined in state law.

### BANS

**NO** - Maryland does not ban the standard method for providing second trimester abortion care.

**NO** - Maryland does not unconstitutionally ban abortion throughout pregnancy in violation of *Roe v. Wade*.

**NO** - Maryland does not ban abortion based on the reason a pregnant person may seek abortion care.

## Reproductive Health: Access and Restrictions

### EXPANDED SCOPE OF PRACTICE

**YES** - Maryland expands the type of qualified healthcare professionals who can provide abortion services.

### CLINIC SHUTDOWN LAWS

**YES** - Maryland subjects abortion providers to restrictions not applied to other medical professionals.

### BIASED COUNSELING AND MANDATORY DELAYS

**NO** - Maryland does not subject pregnant people seeking abortion care to biased counseling requirements or mandatory waiting periods.

### YOUNG PEOPLE AND ABORTION

**YES** - Maryland allows physicians to bypass the state's parental notice requirements.

### EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION

**YES** - Maryland law improves women's access to emergency contraception in the ER.

### CLINIC PROTECTIONS

**YES** - Maryland law protects people seeking reproductive healthcare and/or clinic personnel from blockades, harassment, and/or violence.

### GUARANTEES AND REFUSALS OF MEDICAL CARE

#### Prescription Guarantees

**NO** - Maryland does not guarantee that birth control prescriptions will be filled.

#### Healthcare Refusals

**YES** - Maryland allows certain organizations or individuals to refuse to provide people specific reproductive-health services, information, or referrals.

### COUNSELING AND REFERRAL BANS

**NO** - Maryland does not prohibit some organizations or individuals that receive state funds from counseling and/or referring for abortion.

## Reproductive Health Coverage: Guarantees and Restrictions

### PRIVATE COVERAGE OF CONTRACEPTION

**YES** - Maryland law guarantees expanded coverage for contraceptive products.

### PUBLIC COVERAGE OF CONTRACEPTION

**YES** - Maryland provides increased coverage for Medicaid-funded family-planning services.

### PRIVATE COVERAGE OF ABORTION

Maryland has no provision guaranteeing or restricting insurance coverage of abortion.

### PUBLIC COVERAGE OF ABORTION

**YES** - Maryland covers low-income people's access to medically necessary abortion care.

**COLOR KEY:** ● Restricts Reproductive Freedom | ● Shows Mixed Support for Reproductive Freedom | ● Expands Reproductive Freedom

While these laws remain on the books, some have been temporarily or permanently blocked. For more information, please see Fast Facts.

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